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THE CREATION OF THE COUNCIL BULL

Once upon a time there was a students' council president. LET US ASSUME, just for the fun of it, that his name was Gord McKay.

day while pondering the fate of this great school he said to himself, "What this school needs is a good free newspaper". Such is the speed of this man, that just a short th-ee hours later, Gord had waded through the proper channels and secured the absolutely free budget that would be needed to finance this newspaper.

Meanwhile in the well-lighted corners of his mind Gord had another inspiration. "What if I just went out into the hall and grabbed approximately nine people at random, and told them to create a newspaper. Oh, what a marvellous idea! Think of the brilliant concepts which would flow from this spontaneous union of talent." By this time Gord was jumping up and down alot! (Presidents tend to get that way after a while).

Too excited to think anymore he rushed out of his office, into the hail. Poof! Nine or so people disappeared into his cavernous office, never to be seen again.

In this spirit of feverish non-thinking, "The Council Bull" was born. Oh, Happy Day! But as the dust settled over the people in the office Gord began to think again. He had inadvertently gathered together a collection of zany, fun-loving, degenerate youths. Alas! There was not a serious student among them. In order to compensate for this, Gary Pierluigi was asked to be co-editor and he accepted.

So there we were:

Jon Price ... co-editor

Joh is a meek, mild editor for a great metropolitan newspaper. The only time he ever gets angry is when someone spells his name with an "h". Right, John?

Gary Pierluigi ... co-editor

All of us really look up to Gary. His ambition is to become a journalist.

Gord McKay ... Council Raps

Our founder and constant inspiration. He spends his time writing down lists of obscene words we must not print in the paper.

Barb Varrin ... Literary Co-ordinator

Barb will probably become famous as the person who gave the Bull its grand old name. We like to think of her as a shy girl who plays with colouring books in her spare time.

Donna Morari ... Literary Co-ordinator

Donna is indispensable to the running of this paper. She's the only one who knows what a literery co-ordinator is.

Barry Hudson ... Good Humour Man

We think Barry is just the man to look after the humour department. We generally laugh everytime he walks into the office.

Andy Gays on Entertainment

All this means is that Andy balances on his head and whistles, "A Place to Stand" before each meeting.

Dorothi Rothel Secretary

Dorothi refuses to sit on anyone's knee. She says it's undignified. We have to sit on hers.

Diannne Preston Art

Diannne was the obvious choice to be art director. Anyone with 3 "n's" in their first name has to be artistic.

Brad McCannell Sports Editor

Brad's first article was an exclusive interview with the Westview Wildcat's mascot, achieved at great risk to his sweatshirt.

Tony Hudson Et Cetera

Tony is a dedicated journalist who holds everything up to the light of reason in an attempt to uncover the truth. If that doesn't work he invents little white lies.

We would also like to thank Mrs. Leany very much, who helps assemble the paper. (She also looks for dirty words.)

The two following people must also be recognized for their assistance:

Lillian Del Col - horoscope

Blair **Price** - advertising

-by tony hudson

EDITORIAL

WAR--It haunts us like a ghost! And like a ghost, it cannot die. Oh, we try, Men have been trying since the beginning of time to put an end to war. But still it flourishes. Yes, even among our so-called civilized nations. Education has failed to stop it. It has even failed to explain it. Religion can no longer provide a meaningful answer. Yes, even God is not the answer. He is on:',7,7 a question, and so the people turn away. If a nation, or individual wants something, then why not get it anyway you can? The end justifies the means. And war is the easiest way to obtain this goal.

The child has to be told not to grab and take anything he wants. This is human nature. We have to be conditioned by society to act accordingly. Man grouped together to survive, against a **common** enemy; those being the elements and hunger. Why then does man group together to kill himself. There is no reasonable logic behind this. Man has always killed, defending a righteous cause; his country. This sense of tribal unity, I feel, has to be abandoned in today's world if we are to survive. I often wonder if this is a hell that is fiendishly disguise-7 by the majority of human beings who believe in =thing_ different than death and war.

The family encircled about the T. V. watching the evening news, is exposed to the actual brutality of war. Yet we shrug it off. We try not to let it bother us. It's a sin now-a-days to show your emotions.

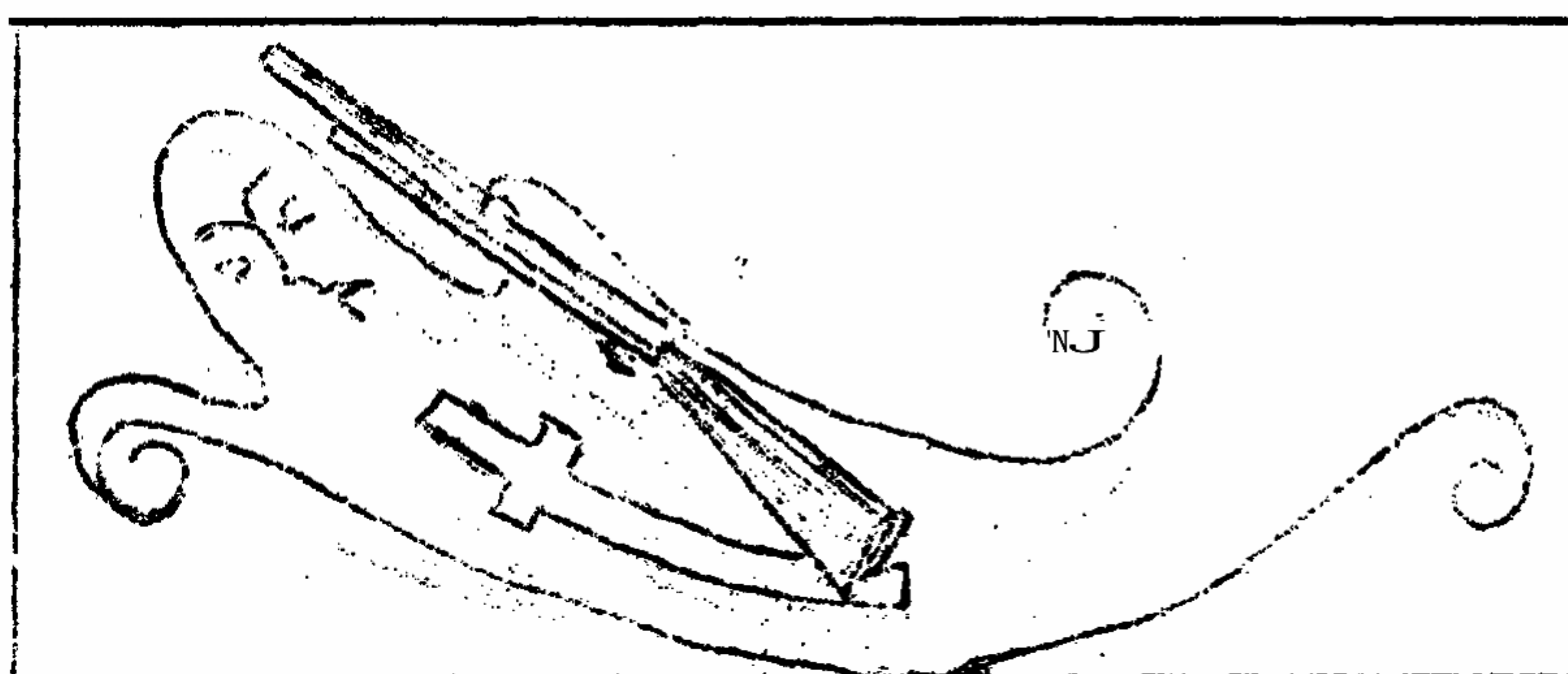
I want you, right now, to think of a close friend. He could be just one of the many young men sent out to sacrifice their lives. And for what? We are becoming savages with the painted masks of civilized humanity. A surging, seething mass of mechanical machinery, programmed for a certain course.

The minority is trying, but is being smothered by an avalanche of animalistic pleasure--a beggar crawling in the street paved of gold--a baby crying for milk that his mother should have--a bayonet thrust in the heart of a bewildered soldier who fought for his last breath of life.

This is not the way. Many may disagree with me because I'm taking the humanist point of view, but that's what we're dealing with--real live people who breath and talk. And I find it impossible to ignore them or talk about them as a mass. Man's inhumanity to man will never cease to amaze me.

The answer cannot be found in God or .lucation. It will have to be found from within ourselves. And therein lies the answer.

-by Gary Pierluigi



Council Raps -by Gord McKay

Something this school has needed for a long time is a good newspaper. What you now hold in your hand promises to be just that and I think before I begin relating Council news I must extend congradulations to the news staff for taking the initiative to begin it, and especially thank our administration for allowing this beginning.

Perhaps before going into news it would be appropriate here to introduce the executive council. Rick Krush is first Vice-President. Charlie Steeles is second Vice-President. Nora Muirhead is Social Convenor. Lynne Jukes is Secretary. Allison McCracken is Treasurer. Jean Rutter is yearbook editor. Jon Price has been appointed to the new position of Executive Assistant and Chairman of Public Relations. Gord McKay is President.

Any complaints, petitions or information seeking delegations will discover it easier to find a council member than it has been in the past. There will be at least one council member in the Students' Council Office almost every period in the day. Before or after school as well. This Council Office is located on the second floor between the boys' washroom and the french seminar room. We'd like any student with a question or complaint to come up to the office. We hope this newly acquired office will serve as the crux of a strong communications link between the council and the students.

Speaking of cowlunications, I'm afraid there has been a failure to communicate in the matter of activity cards. Almost one-third of the student body has

not yet purchased an activity card. We intend to make it impossible for any student in the school to take part in any students' activity without a students' activity card. We feel this is important because of the principal involved. Any student activity is paid for by Students' Council funds. These funds are collected solely from activity card returns. We can't see it as fair that the seven hundred or so students who have bought cards should pay for the 400 odd students without them. These student activities include extra-curricular clubs, dances, after school activities, during school activities, and even the acquiring of this paper.

We have very high hopes for this year, but to realize these hopes we need your support. Remember, you can almost always find one council member in the council office. We have a mailbox in the main office. There is a class rep for each class and a grade rep for each grade. Through any or all of these means, we would like to hear from you. We'd like to make this a very good year for Westview and with the aid of your complaints and ideas we think we can do it.

Dear Uncle Horace:

I have a problem. I am too shy to take a shower after gym. I am afraid that all the girls will laugh at me. What should I do?

Your frustrated friend,
George T Shirt

Dear George:

Take two aspirins and fly to Sweden.

Dear Horace:

I am rapidly getting bald. What should I do?

Yours truly,
Worried

Dear Worried:

It sounds like a pretty hairy situation, but hang in there.

Dear Horace:

What do you do when your husband starts going out with another woman?

Very Jealous

Dear Jealous:

That's simple. You go out with two other women.

RECORDS - by Andy Gayson

Unfortunately for Janis Jcplin (lead singer for Big Brother & the Holding Company) her back-up group is very poor and has no business playing with such a talented singer.

Some of the best cuts on "Cheap Thrills" are: "I Deed a Man", "Summertime", "Ball and Chain", and "Turtle Blues", although the good instrumental accompaniment does not quite live up to Janis Joplin's raw, gusty voice.

All in all, though, the album is quite worth listening to.

BOOKS - by Andy Gayson

If you happen to be strolling through the library one day, STOP! TURN! Head for Mrs. Samuels and politely ask for Catch-22. It's a very good satire on the American soldiers in Italy during W. W. II. It's hilarious and probably the only good book to emerge from the states during W. W. II. It's in a blue cover, paperback (or if you're strong, hardcover). BUT ... there's only one catch ... Catch-22.

HOROSCOPE - by Lillian Del Col

CAPRICORN(Dec.21-Jan.19) Do not discourage light love but enjoy your time of freedom.	AWARIUS (Jan.20-Feb.18) Avoid a love which will tie you down.	PISCES (Feb.19-Mar.20) You could fall in love with someone who doesn't even know you exist, for <u>the time being.</u>
ARIES (Mar.21-April 20) Fore thought and practicality in love can save you from breaking up a <u>relationship.</u>	CANCER (June 21-July 20) Enjoy going steady with someone, try to keep up this arrangement for a <u>long time.</u>	LIBRA (Sept.23-Oct.22) Have a heart! Don't give up. Bring forth your personality and <u>charm.</u>
TAURUS (April 21-May 20) Don't take love too seriously. Develop a mutual understanding with mate.	LEO (July 21-Aug.21) Establish a closer relationship with your partner and feelings <u>will become mutual.</u>	SCORPIO (Oct.23-Nov.22) Avoid jealousy and suspicion. Be willing to give trust.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Roam fancy free, and enjoy companionship of many of the opposite sex, for now.	VIRGO (Aug.22-SeDt.22) Let love develop, before you try to insert too much practical thought.	SAGITTARIUS (Nov.23-Dec.22) Overcome the tendency of becoming jealous in love and wanting to keep your own freedom at the same time.

LITERARY COLUMN - Compiled by Barb Varrin and Donna MorariTHE TURTLE

The turtle lives 'twixt two hard decks
Which practically conceals its sex
I think it clever of the turtle
In such a fix to be so fertile.

-Ogden Nash-

is-love-is ?

In terms of love i talked but was instantaneously snubbed like a candle in the early morning mist. She said she had to leave and couldn't stay or say - why. To love, in her mind, is not a good thing because to love is to extend, in earnest, that which one may not necessarily have returned.

This philosophy remained in my depleted mind as i walked senselessly in the mid-afternoon rain. I had always felt love to be an emotional experience of only giving and not expecting a refund, as one does on a bottle deposit.

I reconciled - on love. Love the emotion, love the experience, love the art, love the life and love itself.

Who may answer? Is love an act of giving or accepting the gift? What is love and/or who is love?

Who can say - i wondered as a heavy fog lowered itself on the stary-lit evening.

Can you?

-jon price 12c

NOTE IF ANYONE HAS A POEM, STORY, NOVEL, BOOK OR ANY LITTLE DO-DAD THEY WISH TO HAVE PUBLISHED JUST DROP IT IN THE STUDENTS' COUNCIL MAILBOX, IN THE MAIN OFFICE.

SPORTS - by Brad McCannellEditorial

In this, the first of a continuing series of editorials, I'd like to begin with where sports really starts - in the classroom. Actually it's the gym, but in effect, it's a classroom.

To quote a friend of mine, "Isn't it strange that a man with a whistle can order guys to hang by their arms till their stomach falls out, make them run, pick up a piece of wood, run again and put it down again, and generally exhaust themselves when they really don't want to do it at all."

But consider what would happen if these kids weren't forced to do these things.

Of course, they don't want to do it but if they don't do it and learn it, they won't grow up to be a regular guy.

Besides P.E. pounds a guy out, teaches him to work in a team and achieve goals..

Taking part in team sports, like football for example, gives you a real feeling of achievement.

That's why the military attitude is adopted by most P.E. teachers--to keep the bubbling over and feeling of achievement in check.

The main trouble with kids today is that they need more physical and mental stimulus to prevent boredom.

I personally can't think of anything more stimulating than a whack across the head with a lacrosse stick.

NEXT ISSUE - How to avoid angry football players without really trying.

Scores

SENIOR FOOTBALL

- 1) Emery 7 - Westview 6
- 2) Jefferies 28 - Westview 22

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

- 1) Jefferies 0 - Westview 27
 - 2) McKenzie 13 - Westview 19
 - 3) Boylen 0 - Westview 40 (exhibition)
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